

THE HONORABLE CARLOS CASOS, SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

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WITH COPIES TO: LUBBOCK CITY SECRETARY BECKY
GARZA, LUBBOCK MUNICIPAL JUDGE ROBERT DOTY,
LUBBOCK DISTRICT ATTORNEY MATT POWELL,
STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT JUDGE LES HATCH,
FORMER TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL GREG ABBOTT,
UNITED STATES FEDERAL JUDGE MELVA GONZALES
RAMOS, UNITED STATES CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE
SUPREME COURT JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR., AND FBI
ATTORNEY BRIAN NEWBY AND UNIVERSITY OF
OKLAHOMA PRESIDENT DAVID BORN. ALSO, FBI,
RAYMOND PARDES, COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER
EDUCATION FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS.

DEAR SECRETARY CASOS:

A SHORT WHILE BACK I WROTE TO YOU CONCERN-
ING "WRITE-IN BALLOTING" AS ACCORD BY SECTION
146.001A OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE. I ALSO MENTIONED
SECTIONS C(?), 2.051(b) AND 2.052. AS YOU
WILL RECALL, I WAS DIRECTED TO YOU BY ^{THE} LUBBOCK
CITY SECRETARY. ALL OF THIS REVOLVES AROUND
INTERPRETATION OF THE LUBBOCK CITY CHARTER!
AND, JURISDICTIONALLY, THE FIRST STEP IS TO
PRESENT THE MATTER TO THE LUBBOCK MUNICIPAL

COURT, AN INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED JUDICIAL OFFICER. I
APOLOGIZE FOR NOT RECOGNIZING THAT I SHOULD
HAVE "TOUCHED BASE THERE," BEFORE WAITING TO
YOU, WITH AN INTERPRETATION IN THIS MATTER,
BY A MUNICIPAL JUDGE! AT THE SAME TIME I DO
NOT APOLOGIZE FOR BRINGING THE MATTER
TO YOUR ATTENTION SINCE A LOT OF THIS LEGAL
AND, THEREFORE, JUDICIAL "STUFF" THAT I AM
HEAVILY INVOLVED IN HAS A JURISDICTIONAL
BASIS. MOST RECENTLY JUDGE DOTY POSTPONED
A MATTER INVOLVING ME BEFORE HIS COURT
WHEN I, APPROPRIATELY, RAISED A JURISDIC-
TIONAL QUESTION.

SO ALLOW ME TO GIVE SOME OTHER EXAM-
PLES, ONE OR TWO THAT MAY AFFECT YOU
AND GOVERNOR ABBOTT AS YOU GO ABOUT YOUR
OFFICIAL DUTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY THE TEXAS
CONSTITUTION AND TEXAS LAW. I WILL START
WITH MY SITUATION AT TEXAS TECH WHICH I WAS
SUCCESSFUL AT GETTING BEFORE JUDGE HATCH'S
COURT WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THEN ATTORNEY
GENERAL ABBOTT. MY EMPLOYMENT AT TEXAS
TECH WAS TERMINATED, APPARENTLY, BY BOARD
OF REGENTS ACTION IN EARLY AUGUST, 2010. AS
POINTED OUT IN JUDGE HATCH'S COURT, THAT WAS
THE FIRST TIME I HAD A GRIEVANCE AGAINST
TEXAS TECH SINCE MY EMPLOYMENT WAS TER-
MINATED WITHOUT WORKING OUT A SETTLEMENT.

TEXAS TECH HAD PUT ONE ON THE TABLE FOLLOWED
 BY THE ONE PROPOSED BY MYSELF AND MRS.
 QUARE. LET ME POINT OUT THAT UP UNTIL
 THE BOARD'S "PRESUMED" ACTION, I DID NOT
 HAVE A GRIEVANCE AGAINST TEXAS TECH AL-
 THOUGH MRS. QUARE MAY HAVE ^{HAD} FROM THEIR
 BEHAVIOR THAT AFFECTED HER LOVED CHILDREN
 OVER THE YEARS. HOWEVER, "AS THE MATTER
PLAYED OUT" OVER AN 2 1/2 YEAR PERIOD, IT
 BECAME CLEAR THAT THE STUDENTS, FACULTY,
 AND ADMINISTRATION OF TEXAS TECH HAD A
 VERY SERIOUS GRIEVANCE AGAINST ME! SO, AS
 I SEE IT, WHEN THESE GROUPS PRESENTED
 "THEIR CAUSE" TO THE BOARD, AGAIN, AS I SEE
 IT, THE BOARD HAD VERY LITTLE RE-COURSE.
 BUT TO TAKE THE "ACTION" THAT THEY DID. HOW
 DID I INTERPRET THE BEHAVIOR OF THESE
 GROUPS? I COULD NOT BELIEVE THE ABSOLUTE
 INCOMPETENCE OF ALL FACULTY COLLEAGUES
 WHEN IT CAME TO FACULTY GOVERNANCE! FACULTY
 THINKING HAD REALLY CHANGED IN THIS MATTER
 SINCE MY ARRIVAL 45 YEARS EARLIER AND
 EVEN "AS THINGS PLAYED OUT" IN THE 1980's.
 IN 2009, THE LUBBOCK AVANCE - JOURNAL
 POINTED ^{OUT} THAT AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY HAD

GRADES TEXAS TECH'S ADMINISTRATION" DOR
 F, IT DIDN'T SPECIFY WHICH. IN "OVERALL
 GRADING" TEXAS TECH RANKED LAST OF ALL
 SCHOOLS IN THE, THEN FULL, B16 XII. WITH
 REGARDS TO THE THIRD GROUP, STUDENTS ARE,
 AND WILL ALWAYS BE, STUDENTS. AS PART OF
 THEIR EDUCATION, MAY BE THE MOST IMPORTANT
 PART, THEY LOOK TO ADULTS FOR EXAMPLES OF,
 IF YOU WISH, "ROLE MODELS." TO CONCLUDE THIS
 STORY, I SUCCESSFULLY ARGUED THAT STATE OF
TEXAS DISTRICT COURT IS PART OF THE STATE
EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE SYSTEM. FURTHER, I WILL
 "ARGUE" HERE THAT STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT
 COURT NEEDS TO CONSIDER FEDERAL LAW, AS
 WELL AS STATE LAW, AS IT APPLIES TO A SITUA-
 TION. THEN, THE NEXT STEP IS FEDERAL
 COURT FOR FEDERAL LAW IF THE PARTIES TO
 THE CAUSE ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH THE
 STATE COURT ^NRENDERINGS.
 WITHIN THIS CONTEXT, I MOVE TO THE
 TEXAS VOTING LAW(S) THAT ARE BEFORE
 FEDERAL JUDGE GONZALES RAMOS' COURT. I
 FIRST READ ABOUT THIS IN SEPTEMBER/~~1~~
 OCTOBER 2014 IN A MIDLAND NEWS PAPER
 AND IMMEDIATELY FILED AN AMICUS CURIAE
BRIEF. SHE HAS BEEN EXTREMELY KIND ^{LEK}

TO SEND ME "LOADS" OF INFORMATION ABOUT THIS(THOSE) MATTER. I LAST HEARD FROM HER IN NOVEMBER, 2015.

SINCE I WAS VERY LATE GETTING INVOLVED WITH THIS, ~~REASON~~ "WERE THE OBJECTIONS TO THE TEXAS VOTING LAWS FIRST CONSIDERED IN TEXAS DISTRICT COURT BEFORE THEY WERE TAKEN TO FEDERAL COURT? I DO NOT KNOW THE ANSWER!!! BUT I WILL SAY THIS:

"TEXAS SHOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO 'CLEANUP ITS OWN HOUSE' BEFORE RE-COURSE WAS MADE BY PLAINTIFFS TO FEDERAL COURT!" OF COURSE, SINCE THIS MATTER IS STILL GOING ON, YOU AND GOVERNOR ABBOTT ARE HEAVILY INVOLVED. ALTHOUGH A LOT OF PEOPLE MAY NOT LIKE IT, THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ALL OF ITS LAWS ARE SUBJECT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AND FEDERAL LAW. AGAIN AND AGAIN, TEXAS MUST BE GIVEN THE CHANCE VIA STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT COURT TO WORK THROUGH THE MATTER BEFORE PROCEEDING TO FEDERAL COURT.

NOW TO A LOCAL LUBBOCK MATTER: A FEW YEARS BACK, 6 TO 1, THE LUBBOCK CITY COUNCIL

I TRIED TO DRUM ONE OF ITS MEMBERS OFF
 OF THE COUNCIL BY HIRING AN "OUTSIDE" AT-
 TORNEY TO TAKE THE MATTER BEFORE LUB-
 BOCK DISTRICT (OR COUNTY?) COURTS. BEFORE
 THE MATTER EVEN GOT TO A JUDGE, THE
 LUBBOCK DISTRICT ATTORNEY "TOSSED IT OUT."
 I HAD FILED AN AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF
 STATING THAT THIS WAS A CITY CHARTER
 INTERPRETATION MATTER AND THAT THE
 FIRST STEP FOR THE CITY COUNCIL IN ITS
 GRIEVANCE WAS TO TAKE THE MATTER BE-
 FORE A MUNICIPAL JUDGE, INDEPENDENTLY
 ELECTED, WHO SHOULD BE MORE FAMILIAR
 WITH THE CITY CHARTER AND ITS WORKINGS
 THAN ANYONE AT THE LUBBOCK COUNTY COURT-
HOUSE. I ALSO ARGUED "THAT THE FUNNY STUFF"
 THE COUNCIL MEMBER WAS ACCUSED OF BEING
 UP TO," WAS ACTUALLY "IN PRACTICE" BY ALL OF
 THE OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS! MORE RECENTLY,
 ANOTHER ATTEMPT, 6 TO 1, WAS MADE TO "DRUM"
 THE SAME COUNCIL MEMBER OFF. SOMEHOW
 "THIS FIZZLED OUT." I DID NOT GET INVOLVED.
 MORE IMPORTANT, AS OF THIS TIME, I AM NOT
 AWARE THAT ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OR

ANY CITIZEN SERVED BY THE CITY HAS YET TO
 USE MUNICIPAL COURT FOR A GRIEVANCE OTHER
 THAN ^{THAT} A FEW CITIZENS OF LUBBOCK ARE USING
 IT AS A GRIEVANCE AGAINST ME, IN MUCH THE
 SAME MANNER THE TEXAS TECH GROUPS ~~WAS~~ ^{DID.}
 THIS MATTER THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE
 AGAINST ME WAS ALREADY BEFORE A JUSTICE
 OF THE PEACE COURT, WHERE IT WAS APPROPRIATE.
 IN COURT, THE J.P. SAID: "IF SHE COULD NOT
 PROPERLY RESOLVE THE MATTER, SHE WOULD
 Toss IT TO A HIGHER (COUNTY) COURT."

SO, IN CONCLUSION, I SHOULD HAVE
 BROUGHT THE MATTER AS TO WHETHER OR
 NOT "WRITE-IN VOTING" WAS DISALLOWED
 BY THE LUBBOCK CITY CHARTER TO LUBBOCK
 MUNICIPAL COURT RATHER THAN PLACING
 RESPONSIBILITY ON YOU, SECRETARY CASCO.
 MY GUESS IS THAT THE LUBBOCK CITY SECRE-
 TARY IS LESS ATTUNED TO GENERAL, AND
 NATURAL, ^{LAW} THAN I AM SO IT IS MY ERROR FOR
 NOT REFERRING THE MATTER TO THE LUBBOCK
 MUNICIPAL COURT.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

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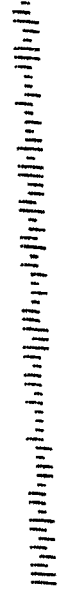
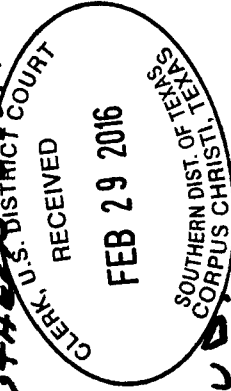
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